

1 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

2
3 2013 Legislative Session

4 Legislative Day #

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6 BILL NO. 2013-18

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8 Introduced by: Charles County Commissioners

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11 Charles County Advocacy Council for Children, Youth and Families

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17 Date introduced: 11 / 19 / 2013

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19 Public Hearing: 01 / 07 / 2014 @ 5:00 p.m.

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21 Commissioners Action: 01 / 07 / 2014

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23 Commissioner Votes: CQK: Y, RC: Y, KR: Y, DD: Y, BR: Y

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25 Pass/Fail: Pass

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27 Effective Date: 02 / 21 / 2014

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1 **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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4 **2013 Legislative Session**

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6 Bill No. 2013-18

7 Chapter No. 184

8 Introduced by Charles County Commissioners

9 Date of Introduction November 19, 2013

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11 **BILL**

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13 AN ACT concerning

14 **Charles County Advocacy Council for Children, Youth and Families**

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16 FOR the purpose of repealing the provisions of Chapter 180 of the Charles County Code relating
17 to a Human Services Council and providing instead for the Charles County Advocacy Council
18 for Children, Youth and Families.

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20 BY repealing:

21 Chapter 180

22 Sections 180.1 through 180.6 in their entirety

23 *Code of Charles County, Maryland*

24 (1994 Edition, 2007 Supplement)

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26 By adding:

27 Chapter 184

28 Sections 184.01 through 184.03

29 *Code of Charles County, Maryland*

30 (2013 Edition)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Charles County, Maryland read as follows:

Charles County Code

[Chapter 180 Human Services Council] Repealed in its entirety.

CHAPTER 184

CHARLES COUNTY ADVOCACY COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

SECTION. 184.01.

A. THERE SHALL BE A CHARLES COUNTY ADVOCACY COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE CHARLES COUNTY LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD.

SECTION. 184.02. PURPOSE.

A. THE FUNCTION OF THE CHARLES COUNTY ADVOCACY COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES IS TO PLAN, DIRECT, COORDINATE, AND ENSURE THAT AN INTEGRATED, COLLABORATIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE INTERAGENCY SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES EXISTS IN CHARLES COUNTY. AS THE DESIGNATED LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR CHARLES COUNTY, THE CHARLES COUNTY ADVOCACY COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES WILL ALSO MONITOR PROGRAMS/CONTRACTS FOR PERFORMANCE AND COMPLIANCE; ENSURE THAT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ARE IN PLACE AS REQUIRED; AND MAINTAIN JURISDICTION SUPPORT THROUGH THIS DESIGNATION.

B. KEY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- 1) STRENGTHENING THE DECISION-MAKING CAPACITY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL;
- 2) DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIES TO ACHIEVE CLEARLY DEFINED RESULTS FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN;
- 3) MAINTAINING STANDARDS OF ACCOUNTABILITY FOR LOCALLY AGREED UPON RESULTS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES;
- 4) INFLUENCING THE ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES ACROSS SYSTEMS

- 1 AS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE DESIRED RESULT;
- 2 5) COORDINATING CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES WITHIN THE
- 3 JURISDICTION TO ELIMINATE FRAGMENTATION AND DUPLICATION
- 4 OF SERVICES AND TO ESTABLISH NON-CATEGORICAL SERVICES;
- 5 6) CREATING AN EFFECTIVE SYSTEM OF SERVICES, SUPPORTS, AND
- 6 OPPORTUNITIES THAT IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR ALL CHILDREN,
- 7 YOUTH, AND FAMILIES;
- 8 7) OPERATING BASED ON LOCALLY AGREED UPON PRINCIPLES
- 9 CONCERNING SERVICE DELIVERY AND THE COMMUNITY'S
- 10 COMMITMENT TO ITS FAMILIES AND CHILDREN;
- 11 8) REPRESENTING LOCAL RESIDENTS, COMMUNITIES, AND STATE AND
- 12 LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND
- 13 9) SHIFTING THE PROGRAMMATIC FOCUS TO PREVENTION AND EARLY
- 14 INTERVENTION STRATEGIES.

15 **SECTION. 184.03. BOARD MEMBERSHIP.**

- 16 A. THE BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF AT LEAST ELEVEN (11) MEMBERS BUT NO
- 17 MORE THAN FIFTEEN (15) AND OF THE GROUP, SEVEN (7) SHALL BE
- 18 REPRESENTING EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 19 1) CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/CORE SERVICE
- 20 AGENCY/MENTAL HYGIENE ADMINISTRATION;
- 21 2) CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES;
- 22 3) CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS;
- 23 4) CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES;
- 24 5) CHARLES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE;
- 25 6) CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT (DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
- 26 SERVICES; AND
- 27 7) CHARLES COUNTY COURTS.
- 28 B. THESE PUBLIC SECTOR REPRESENTATIVES SHALL BE EITHER THE
- 29 DIRECTOR OR SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE
- 30 ORGANIZATIONS OR A DESIGNEE WITH PROGRAMMATIC AND FISCAL
- 31 DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION.

- 1 C. OF THE MEMBERS, AT LEAST 51% OF THE MEMBERSHIP MUST BE FROM
2 THE PUBLIC SECTOR, WITH NO MORE THAN 49% OF MEMBERS
3 REPRESENTING THE PRIVATE SECTOR (SUCH AS PARENTS, CHILDREN,
4 ADVOCACY GROUPS, PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDERS, ETC.).
- 5 D. THE CHARLES COUNTY ADVOCACY COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND
6 FAMILIES SHALL ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS SET
7 FORTH BY THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN’S POLICIES AND
8 PROCEDURES MANUAL.

9 **SECTION 2.** BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act shall take effect 45 calendar days
10 after it becomes law.

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12 ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

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14 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
15 CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

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18 Candice Quinn Kelly, President

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36 Denise Ferguson, Clerk to the Commissioners
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